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Attachments: Routing Concurrence Memo for Response to DOEE 2020 EE_VJ_AHC_KAM.pdf; 2020 DOEE Exceptional Event Demo Response Letter_20211208.docx; 2020 DOEE Exceptional Event Demo Response Letter_20211208.pdf; DC 201503 - EE - Submittal Letter - With 5 Enclosures.pdf

Hi Cristina,

Per Alice, attached is draft response, for RA signature, to a request from DC to exclude a substantial amount of ozone data from consideration for regulatory purposes due to the pandemic under the Exceptional Events rule. This issue is, Exceptional Events rule is only for naturally occurring events, like wildfires, that would cause an EXCEEDANCE or VIOLATION of a standard. DC's situation is the pandemic actually lowered the ozone concentrations and **did not cause any exceedance or violation**. DC cannot use Exception Events rule to exclude their data based on the pandemic.

Files attached:

- Routing concurrence
- 2020 DOEE Exceptional Event Demo Response Letter_20211208 – word file
- 2020 DOEE Exceptional Event Demo Response Letter_20211208 – PDF prepped for RA signature
- The incoming letter which we are responding to

Please let me know if you would like to see any changes. Otherwise, please sign the routing concurrence and return to me and I will get this sent up to R3 Front Office.

Respectfully,
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